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## The Daily Press

HONGKONG, OCTOBER 21ST, 1890.

This conference on the question of Sunday

labour held on Friday last between repre-

sentatives of the Mercantile Marine Officers

Association and the Chamber of Commerce

resulted in a very useful and interesting

discussion. Captain Aegrot on behalf of

the Association urged the cause of Sunday

rest with considerable force and in the

subsequent discussion fairly faced the difficulties

suggested on the other side. He admitted

that the observance of a weekly day of

rest is made compulsory all classes of ship-

ping must be subjected to the same law,

Chinese as well as foreign. This, he thinks,

would not be regarded as a hardship by the

native community, but that on the contrary

the Sunday rest would soon come to be ap-

preciated by them as much as it is by for-

eigners. The Chamber of Commerce had

already on two separate occasions expressed

its sympathy with the principle of Sunday

rest, but had also expressed the opinion that

the peculiar conditions under which trade

is conducted here render the suppression of

labour on that day almost impossible. The

sympathies of the members no doubt re-

main the same, and if in compliance with

the request of the Association they address

the Government again on the subject it will

no doubt be to the effect that so far as

the shipping represented by the Chamber is con-

cerned there is no objection to a law by

which Sunday rest shall be secured provid-

ed it is made applicable to all craft alike.

It will then remain for the Government to

ascertain what view the Chinese take of the

matter, and in order to arrive at this the

owners as well as the crews of the junks

should be consulted. As most of the men

are paid by the month they would be dis-

tinctly gainer by the proposed law, for it

is not likely their wages would be reduced

to make up for the loss of the four days' work.

affected. It is true the same chances have to

some extent to acquiesce in a stoppage of

work on Sunday at the Treaty ports, but

there is this difference, that while at the

Treaty ports it is only work in connection

with foreign shipping that is affected in this

Colony the native shipping would be affected

also. It is decided that legislative action

should be taken the best form in

which to cast the new law would, no doubt,

be to require any vessel working on Sun-

day to take out a permit, for which there

should be charged a substantial fee. This

would discourage Sunday labour but would at

the same time afford an opportunity of load-

ing or discharging in case of real necessity.

It is difficult, however, to find any logical

justification for the proposed law unless we

assume a right to impose our religious obser-

ances on the Chinese. In order to afford

a day's rest to a few hundred Europeans at

the outside some twenty or twenty-five

thousand natives would be thrown out of

work, and to a considerable proportion of

the latter it would mean the loss of a day's

pay. If the Government says, "Sunday

must be observed," it will be at once con-

fronted with the question, why should it be

observed in the harbour and not on shore?

But it is admitted that a universal Sunday

observance law would not work, and if a

universal law would not work it is to be sup-

posed that a law applied only to one eighth

of the population would work? The experi-

ment we fear, would prove a somewhat

hazardous one, and it is to be regretted that

the matter as it affects foreign shipping would

not be settled between the Chamber of Com-

merce and the Mercantile Marine Officers' Association without involving the aid of the

Legislation. From the remarks made by the

Chairman of the Chamber it may be gathered

that there would be no difficulty in arriving

at a satisfactory settlement so far as the

regular coasting steamers are concerned, and

work is generally stopped on board sailing

vessels on Sunday under existing conditions,

so that there are only left to be considered

the crews of the few home steamers that may

happen to be in port on Sunday. To make

twenty-five thousand men stop work in order

that these few may enjoy a day's rest seems,

it must be confessed, a somewhat extreme

measure.

There will be a game of Polo at Canaway Bay

at 4.45 p.m. to-day.

Some Customs Officers at the City Hall

Museum last week, of whom 169 were European.

There were 3,921 visitors to the City Hall

Museum last week, of whom 169 were European.

Mr. J. J. Kewick, Secretary of the Hong-

kong Skating Club, will hold an exhibition

(Tuesday) afternoon at the City Hall, when

the members will be glad to see their friends

at 3.45 p.m.

The steamer Nankai, Captain Black, having

arrived here yesterday, reports having

exchanged a cable with the Black at 8 a.m.

yesterday, the persons on the latter wishing to

be reported all well.

The Spanish Consul has forwarded us with

a copy of the following telegram received by him

from Manila:—There appears to be a typhoid

fever in Manila, and a number of natives have

died. The disease is spreading rapidly, and

the authorities are doing all that is possible

to check its progress. The disease is of a

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